IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Date July 31, 2003

In re the Application of

Kenji NISHI

Application No.: 09/628,310

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For:

EXPOSURE METHOD AND APPARATUS

Group Art Unit: 2851

Examiner: D. Esplin

Docket No.: 106827

LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired <u>June 3, 2003</u>, an extension of time for a period of <u>two</u> months is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. <u>144820</u> in the amount of \$410.00 in payment for:

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